



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q58571

Masao TOKITA

Appln. No.: 09/538,475

Group Art Unit: 1722

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Examiner: T. Nguyen

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR AUTOMATICALLY LOADING POWDER MATERIAL INTO A MOLD

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 9, 2004—the period for response having been extended to June 9, 2004 by an appropriate petition and check filed herewith—please consider the remarks as submitted herewith on the accompanying pages.